

**KEMPTON PARK STEWARDS' REPORT****Saturday 26 December 2020**

Stewards: Simon Cowley (Chief Steward), Lucinda Cavendish (Stewards' Panel Chair), Sam Angell (Steward), Steve Drowne (Steward), Chris Watts (Social Distancing Officer), Josie Brown (Assistant Steward), Cody Watkins (Raceday Assistant)

Going: GOOD TO SOFT

Rail: The Chase Course is on its innermost configuration. The Winter Hurdle Course is 4 yards out from its innermost configuration, effect on distances calculated as follows: Race 1 - 2m Winter Hurdle Start; add 22 yards Race 2 - 2m 4 1/2f Chase; N/A Race 3 - 3m Chase; N/A Race 4 - 2m Winter Hurdle Start; add 22 yards Race 5 - 3m Chase; N/A Race 6 - 2m 5f Winter Hurdle Start; add 32 yards

Non-Runners

Race	Horse and Trainer	Reason
1:15pm	CHAMPAGNE WELL (IRE), trained by Fergal O'Brien.	Self Cert (Lame)
3:35pm	DREAM BERRY (FR), trained by Jonjo O'Neill.	Self Cert (Bruised Foot)
3:35pm	WHO'S MY JOCKEY (IRE), trained by Richard Hobson.	Going (Changed since declaration)

**Race 1 - 12:40pm.****THE GET YOUR LADBROKES £1 FREE BET NOVICES' HURDLE RACE (CLASS 2) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for ON TO VICTORY to be mounted on the chute.

Following the race, Nico de Boinville reported that GO SACRE GO (FR), placed fifth, ran too free.

**Race 2 - 1:15pm.****THE PLAY LADBROKES 5-A-SIDE ON FOOTBALL NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 3) (GBB RACE)**

The performance of ALNADAM (FR), which placed eighth, was considered. Dan Skelton's explanation that the gelding was unsuited by the track, which in his opinion was too tight for ALNADAM (FR), was noted. The Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of ALNADAM (FR) failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Following the race, Tom Cannon reported that WILLIAM H BONNEY, placed seventh, jumped left throughout and the Veterinary Officer reported that the gelding had lost its right fore shoe. The Veterinary Officer reported that GETAREASON (IRE), unplaced, had lost its left fore shoe.

**Race 3 - 1:50pm.**

**THE LADBROKES KAUTO STAR NOVICES' STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (In Memory of Nigel Clark) (Grade 1) (GBB RACE)**

Nothing to report

**Race 4 - 2:25pm.**

**THE LADBROKES CHRISTMAS HURDLE RACE (CLASS 1) (Grade 1) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for FLORESSA (FR) to wear a red hood to post.

**Race 5 - 3:00pm.**

**THE LADBROKES KING GEORGE VI STEEPLE CHASE (CLASS 1) (Grade 1) (GBB RACE)**

Permission was given for CYRNAME (FR) to be first in the parade order.

An enquiry was held to consider interference on the final bend when the winner, FRODON (FR), ridden by Bryony Frost, interfered with SAINT CALVADOS (FR), placed fourth, ridden by Gavin Sheehan. Frost was suspended for 2 days for careless riding as she allowed her mount to drift right-handed without sufficient correction causing SAINT CALVADOS (FR) to become unbalanced for several strides.

The performance of CYRNAME (FR), which started favourite and was pulled up, was considered. Harry Cobden reported that the gelding was never travelling. Paul Nicholls' representative could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. The Veterinary Officer reported that a post-race examination of CYRNAME (FR), during routine testing, failed to reveal any abnormalities.

The winner, FRODON, appeared to show improved form compared with its previous run at Aintree on 5 December 2020 where the gelding finished fourth of fifth, beaten by 82 lengths. Paul Nicholls' representative's explanation that the gelding benefitted from being able to jump more fences today, when a significant number of fences were omitted at Aintree last time out, was noted. FRODON (FR) was routine tested.

Following the race, The Veterinary Officer reported that LOSTINTRANSLATION (IRE), which was pulled up, had bled from the nose.

**Race 6 - 3:35pm.****THE LADBROKES COMMITTED TO SAFER GAMBLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE (CLASS 3)**

RATHHILL (IRE) wore ear plugs. Permission was given for RUNSWICK BAY to wear a hood in the Parade Ring.

After the second last hurdle, RIGGS (IRE), placed third, ridden by Harry Skelton, hung sharply right-handed, despite Skelton's best efforts, carrying TOP MAN (IRE), placed fourth, off its intended line, but after viewing a recording of the incident, it was found that no riding offence was involved and that it had not improved the placing of RIGGS (IRE).

Following the race, Nico de Boinville reported that BARBADOS BLUE (IRE), unplaced, hung left-handed throughout.

**Suspensions**

Person	Race	Horse	Days	Suspended Days
Bryony Frost	Race - 3:00pm	FRODON (FR)	2	10 Jan 2021 31 Dec 2020